

IN THE DRAWINGS**Objections to the Drawings**

Figures 1C, 2O, 4B, 4D, 5, 6XI, 6XJ, 6XK, 6XL, 7 and 8A have been amended to divide out the multiple views, assigning each of the views its own figure number. The Replacement Sheets are attached hereto.

It is believed that the amendments to FIG. 2O have rendered moot the objection to FIG. 2O and FIG. 20 looking too similar.

REMARKS

Objections Regarding Information Disclosure Statements

Regarding the IDS submitted on December 31, 2008, please find enclosed a copy of the Office Action dated June 29, 2006 in the case of co-pending application Serial No. 10/182,352.

Regarding the IDS submitted on August 4, 2008, a copy of the PCT application published as WO 94/26213 based on the non-English language document DE 4315757 and having an identical Abstract (and an English version of the Abstract) is included herewith, in accordance with MPEP §609.04(a)III which indicates that "submission of an English language abstract of a reference may fulfill the requirement for a concise explanation." Applicants believe that due to the simplicity of the DE 4315757 device and that the entire non-English language reference is only 6 pages, including nearly a page of claims, 2 pages of drawings and a cover sheet (leaving just over two pages of actual description); just an English language version of the Abstract should fulfill the requirement for a concise explanation.

Objections to the Specification

Regarding issues of proper antecedent basis in the specification for claims 255-273, please see the following (page and line numbers are based on the published international application WO00/44319):

Claim 255 finds support on page 9, lines 26-28; page 13, lines 27-28; page 29, lines 31-32; page 31, lines 12-18, *inter alia*.

Claim 256 finds support on page 14, lines 1-2, *inter alia*.

Claim 257 finds support on page 13, lines 31-33; page 31, lines 13-16; page 53, lines 6-33, *inter alia*.

Claim 258 finds support on page 15, lines 7-8.

Claim 259 finds support on page 15, lines 8-9.

Claim 260 finds support on page 15, lines 9-10.

Claim 261 finds support on page 15, lines 11-12.

Claim 262 finds support on page 15, lines 12-13.

Claim 263 finds support on page 1, line 20; page 15, lines 14-16.

Claim 264 finds support on page 16, lines 14-15.

Claim 265 finds support on page 16, line 15.

Claim 266 finds support on page 16, lines 15-16.

Claim 267 finds support on page 52, lines 22-35; page 53, lines 1-4.

Claim 268 finds support on page 15, lines 4-5; page 24, lines 7-12, *inter alia*.

Claim 269 finds support on page 14, lines 32-33.

Claim 270 finds support on page 43, lines 11-13.

Claim 271 finds support on page 14, lines 20-21.

Claim 272 finds support on page 14, lines 3-4; page 31, lines 12-18.

Claim 273 finds support on page 10, lines 30-31.

Amendments to the Claims

Claim 238 has been canceled.

Claims 247 and 249 were amended to change “comprising” to “further comprising”, as suggested by the Examiner.

Claims 254 and 257 were amended to correct typographical errors.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosures:

- Letter to Chief Draftsman
- Annotated Drawing Sheets
- Formal Drawing Transmittal Sheet
- Complete Set of Replacement Drawing Sheets
- References:

USPTO Office Action dated June 29, 2006 of US Patent Application No. 10/182,352;
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